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Martin P. Atkins, et al.

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for Patents Washington D. C. 20231

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

The initial period for response to the outstanding Official Action, issued on October 14, 1997, expired on January 14, 1998.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136 petition is hereby made for a three month extension of time up to and including April 14, 1998 in which to respond to the Official Action. A check in the amount of \$950.00 for the extension fee is enclosed

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Authorization is hereby provided to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this ${\tt EXTENSION}$ OF TIME is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as ${\tt EXPRESS}$ MAIL in an envelope numbered EM098341704US addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on April 14, 1998.